



## ABOUT WARD 4

*Tucson's Ward 4 is represented by Council Member Shirley C. Scott. Shirley has represented the Ward since 1995 and is honored to continue serving the constituents of Ward 4 and the City of Tucson.*

## In the Know

### Service Line Warranty Program

National League of Cities (NLC) is an organization dedicated to helping city leaders build better communities; the City of Tucson is a member of the NLC. The National League of City is the same group that has helped our City to secure the Prescription Discount Card. You can go to the Ward 4 website for more info on that program.



As you recall during the May 6th Mayor and Council meeting the City Council endorsed the National League of Cities (NLC) Service Line Warranty Program. As a City of Tucson Water customer you should be receiving information sometime this week regarding on the Service Line Warranty Program from Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA,).

NLC selected SLWA because of their high customer service and quality ratings. Service Line Warranties of America has been in business for nearly 10 years and has an A+ rating from the Better Business Bureau. Service Line Warranties of America will be offering to the City of Tucson Water customers a service line warranty on their property water lines and sewers. Why? Well we all know we are responsible for the service lines on our own property, which means if a line breaks on our own personal property we are responsible for fixing it. Most homeowner policies will not pay to repair the damage, and if you ever had to replace a water line or sewer line, then you know it could cost you thousands. The City decided to make City of Tucson Water Customer's aware of SLWA's warranty, giving everyone the option of being able to cover the cost if a line was to break. SLWA uses local contractors, keeping permits and everything up to code.

If you're interested or would like more information you can fill out the application form you received in the mail, visit [www.SLWofA.com](http://www.SLWofA.com) or call 1-866-922-9006. If you haven't received the information, it's probably because you're on the "no solicit" list. And if that's the case and you are interested in this optional program, just give them call.

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## Dispose Meds

Every day, 2,500 teenagers use a prescription drug to get high, many for the first time. Each year more than 71,000 children ages 18 and younger are seen in emergency rooms for unintentional overdoses of prescription and over-the-counter drugs. While a large percentage of kids obtain them within their own home resulting from improper storage and ease of access from their parent's medicine cabinet, most teenagers reportedly obtain prescription drugs from friends. If you don't have kids, well what about your grandkids. The point is, don't leave the meds around. Lock them up. Out of date, dispose of them properly at any of the Tucson Police Department Substation. For more info, visit <http://www.disposeamed.pima.gov/index.html>.

## Interim City Manager

Recently, Mayor and Council voted to appoint Assistant City Manager Martha Durkin as the Interim City Manager. She will take the new position on August 1st.



### 1. How long have you worked for the City and in what departments?

I worked in the City Attorney's Office for 6 ½ years first as a Principal Assistant City Attorney and then as Chief Deputy City Attorney. I have been an Assistant City Manager for one year.

### 2. What positive changes have you seen in the City since you started?

Under the leadership of City Manager Richard Miranda I have seen the city become focused on providing excellent service to the public. City employees live up to Mr. Miranda's standards for a workforce that is professional, ethical and productive.

### 3. What would you like to accomplish with your new position?

I hope to provide the leadership required to complete pending projects and begin new ones, successfully manage the meet and confer process with our labor organizations, maintain the respect and support of the community, and implement the direction of Mayor and Council.

### 4. What would you like the citizens of Tucson to know?

This is an exciting opportunity for me. Having lived and worked in Tucson for more than 35 years it is truly an honor to be asked to serve as the City Manager. The citizens of Tucson should know that I will be honest and fair in carrying out the duties of the City Manager. While adjusting to the new position will present challenges, I will do my best to meet expectations.

### 5. What is tougher, standing in front of a Judge before a ruling, or standing in front of Council before a vote?

Good question! Judges are usually predictable if the lawyer understands her case so the ruling is not too surprising. The Council continues to surprise me so this will probably be a more challenging role for me.

Congratulations to Mrs. Durkin on her new position.



## M&C

The next scheduled Mayor and Council meeting is for July, 8th. Study Session will start at 2pm and Regular at 5:30pm. There will be a Special Meeting on Monday, June 30th at 6pm to discuss the Impact Fees. For more information or get a copy of the meeting agenda's, you can go to [www.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/mcdocs](http://www.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/mcdocs). You can also watch the live stream of the Mayor and Council meeting at [www.tucson12.tv](http://www.tucson12.tv).

## Back to School Immunizations

El Rio Health Center and the Boys & Girls Club of Tucson have come together to offer Children Ages 5-18 free Immunizations for the upcoming school year. You will need to bring:

Current Immunization Record, Parent or Guardian MUST be present. Please bring AHCCCS/KidsCare Card if you have one, and bring your Insurance Card.

There will be other services offered like dental and eye screenings, Information on Mental Health Services and free Boys & Girls Club memberships. There will also be representatives from Medicaid, Insurance, PCAP and El Rio. If you need more information, please visit [www.elrio.org](http://www.elrio.org) or call 670-3909.

So mark your calendars for one of the following days:

Saturday, July 19th from 10-2pm

Jim & Vicki Click Clubhouse

1935 S. Columbus Blvd.

Saturday, July 26th, 10-2pm

Holmes Tuttle Clubhouse

2585 E. 36th St.

Saturday, August 2, 10-2pm

Roy Drachman Clubhouse



## Nathan's Hot Dog



Independence Day, you know the history, but do you know the story of Nathans Hot Dog Eating Contest? Besides it being a tradition, National Geographic writes, "the origins of the eating contest reveal yet another layer of the immigrant experience. Legend has it that the first-ever hot dog eating contest took place on July 4, 1916 between four immigrants arguing over who was the most patriotic. James Mullen, an Irish immigrant, won by eating 13 hot dogs in 12 minutes and the Fourth of July tradition was born." This is probably just a legend, but a good one to have. Soaking bread in water doesn't sound good to me, but this year Joey Chestnut of San Jose, CA will try for his eighth straight win. His chances are good considering he holds the world record for eating 69 Nathan's Famous Hot Dogs and Buns in 10 minutes. Sonya Thomas of Alexandria, VA consumed 36 ¾ Hot Dogs and Buns in 10 minutes last year. I don't know how she keeps that girly figure.

So have a great time this Fourth of July. Make sure to lock up your pets in a secure and safe location. Keep kids away from fireworks, and remember they are illegal to ignite in City limits. Be safe on this 4th of July.



## Coming Up...

### NIGHT WINGS

Sat, June 28 & 29, 5:00-9:00,  
Pima Air & Space Museum  
Enjoy the museum in the cool evening! All hangars will be open with hands-on STEM activities for kids in each hangar and prizes! From 5:00pm until sundown enjoy the outside planes. \$10 for adults, kids age 12 and under FREE! For more info, call 618-4819.

### Summer Safari Friday Nights

Fri., July 4, July 11, 5:30-8pm,  
Reid Park Zoo  
Featuring different Zoo Keeper chats, animal encounters, artifact stations, crafts and scavenger hunts. If you would like to grab a snack or dinner while your there, stop by the Zoofari Market. You can even ride the train and cool off in Kenya Get Wet. It is a great way to spend a Friday evening. For more info go to [reidparkzoo.org](http://reidparkzoo.org) and click on "events."

## Road Work Update by MJ Dillard

### Houghton Road

There have been a few hickups, and some horn honking, but the roadway on Houghton Road is finally complete, and isn't she sweet! We improved 4 miles of Houghton. Which turned approximately 8 lane miles into over 24 lanes miles (not including turn lanes), excavated over 50,000 tons of dirt (moved it around), and imported over 245,000 cubic yards of fill.

Plus, over 2,300 linear feet of artist designed rail, over 8 miles of pedestrian paths 12 bus shelter pads and pullouts, over 15,323 linear feet of water lines, almost 86,000 tons of asphalt, over 2500 feet of cross drain pipe, and 21 barrels of box culverts, and too many to count easily linear feet of storm drain pipe.

We can add traffic signal features, new ped/bike "green" striping, and don't even get me started on the massive amounts of rip rap and rock mulch we added for erosion control (especially after last year's monsoons).

This project was written up in Engineering News Record for the study that compared various sustainability ratings for the project, and received a Silver Award.

### Houghton Road: Future projects

The Regional Transportation Authority has secured additional bond funding, and the City of Tucson has requested funding to complete the work in the following areas:

Houghton Road: 22nd Street to Irvington Road

Houghton Road: Valencia Road to Old Vail Road/Mary Ann Cleveland Way

Our goal is to start design and construction of these segments in April 2015 with the following timelines anticipated:

Design (18 months), right of way acquisition (18 months), Utility relocations (8 months), and Construction (18 months).

We will let you know what funding we receive, and how we will move forward from here. We appreciate your patience, and we want to hear from you if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions.

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## In the 411

Eastside Police Substation – 791-5700

9670 E. Golf Links

For additional information in regards to tickets or other departments within the Tucson Police Department log on to <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/police>  
Transportation (TDOT) - 791-4259

201 N. Stone Ave. 5th Floor.

Got a question about construction, traffic, streets, graffiti removal, landscaping, stormwater, RTA or anything along these lines? Visit <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/transportation> to get more info.

Environmental Services - 791-3171

Information on trash, recycling, landfills, brush and bulky and even neighborhood cleanups is what you can find here. They even do Hazardous Household Waste Collections. Visit <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/es> for more info.

Tucson Water - 791-4331

310 W. Alameda St.

Have questions on billing, water conservation, water quality or general service, then call the public info line or check out <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/water>

William Clements Center - 791-5758 or 791-4730

8155 E. Poinciana

There is a lot happening here! Additional information, including calendar of events, go to <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/parksandrec/clements>

Miller-Golf Links Branch Library - 594-5355

9640 E. Golf Links Rd

Get info of scheduled events or what's currently happening at this library. Better yet go to [www.library.pima.gov/locations/golfinks](http://www.library.pima.gov/locations/golfinks)

Pima Council on Aging - 790-7262

8467 E. Broadway

This is a great place that offers programs and services to older adults and their families living in Pima County. Learn more about this great organization by going to [www.pcoa.org](http://www.pcoa.org)

Code Enforcement - 791 - 5843

310 N. Commerce Park Loop

Chapter 16 and 3 fo the City Code is what they enforce. If you suspect property or housing violations within the City give them a buzz or go online for more information or to make a complaint at <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/hcd/code-enforcement>

Graffiti Removal Program - 792 - 2489

If you see someone "tagging" call 911. If The graffiti is already there, then call the number above to report it. Check out <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/graffiti> for more information on removal or reporting.

